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HOGSETT ANNOUNCES ANOTHER INDIANAPOLIS MAN CHARGED WITH BEING A FELON IN POSSESSION OF A FIREARM

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PRESS RELEASE

INDIANAPOLIS - Joseph H. Hogsett, United States Attorney, announced that Shane L. Tadlock, 30, Indianapolis, was charged with possession of a firearm by a person previously convicted of a felony. This prosecution follows an investigation by the Avon Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, and is part of the Project Safe Neighborhoods initiative.

On Saturday, July 16, 2011, at approximately 4:00 p.m., Officers Steve Barton and Anthony Fite, of the Avon Police Department were dispatched to the Wal-Mart retail store, located at 9500 East US 36, Avon, Ind., involving a report of shoplifting. Upon arrival, the officers met with a Wal-Mart loss prevention investigator. While in the store, Tadlock was observed shoplifting numerous items, including a cellular telephone, grocery food items and several small toiletries. Tadlock was stopped by Wal-Mart personnel after by-passing all points of sale in the lawn and garden section of the store. Law enforcement discovered a knife and a gun in Tadlock's possession. During the investigation, the Avon Police Department discovered an arrest warrant for Tadlock from the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Arkansas.

The indictment alleges that on or about July 16, 2011, Tadlock, a convicted felon, possessed a loaded, Walther P22, .22 caliber pistol. The charge further alleges that Tadlock was previously convicted of armed bank robbery in 2006 and escape in 2009, both in Arkansas.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Doris L. Pryor, who is prosecuting the case for the government, Tadlock faces a maximum possible prison sentence of 10 years and a maximum possible fine of \$250,000 the charge. An initial hearing on the indictment will be scheduled before a U.S. Magistrate Judge in Indianapolis. The charge is an allegation only, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty at trial or by guilty plea.